

POWELL CHARGES CORRUPT PRACTICE

Fredericksburg Delegate Makes
Grave Allegation Against Cir-
cuit Judge Chichester.

"PACKING ELECTORAL BOARD"

Jurist's Friends Make Sharp De-
nial and Demand Proof
of Charge.

Charges of a sensational and very
grave nature made by S. P. Powell,
member of the House of Delegates from
Spotsylvania County and the city of
Fredericksburg, in the closing minutes
of the morning session of the House
of Delegates yesterday, resulted in a
first step being taken at the afternoon
session toward a legislative investiga-
tion of the allegations which affect the
personal character and integrity of
Judge R. H. L. Chichester, of the Fif-
teenth Judicial Circuit.

In the course of a debate on a pro-
posed amendment to the bill creating
local boards of review, Mr. Powell vi-
ciously opposed the provision directing
the appointment of these boards by the
judge of circuit and corporation courts.
Beginning with an expression of his
opinion that this power given to the
judges would put the tax question into
politics, Mr. Powell said he knew from
his own observation and experience
that it was not safe to entrust some of
the judges with this power. He said
the judge in his own circuit, not call-
ing Judge Chichester by name, was in
the habit of packing county boards to
serve his own political purposes.

POWELL'S STATEMENT
CAUSES SENSATION

The statement created a sensation in
the House. Half a dozen members rose
to question him. Judge Martin Wil-
liams, Democratic floor leader, obtained
the Speaker's recognition. Mr. Powell
yielded to a question.

"Do I understand you to say that the
judge of your circuit is guilty of po-
litical corruption?" Judge Williams
asked. "Do I understand you to say
that the judge of your circuit is now
packing the electoral board of your
County of Spotsylvania for the purpose
of corrupting the elections?"

"That is exactly what I said," replied
Mr. Powell. "I am simply stating
political corruption, if necessary."
Half a dozen members shouted ques-
tions from different parts of the hall.
"Isn't it a fact that you are a personal
and political enemy of Judge Chichester?"
he was asked.

"I am not," Mr. Powell replied.

**POWELL CHARGED WITH
BEING REPUBLICAN**

"You are a Republican," another voice
shouted.

"I am not a Republican," Mr. Powell
shouted back. "I was elected by the
Democratic voters. I am here as a
Democratic representative."

"Isn't it so that you were once chair-
man of the Republican party in your
county?"

"Certainly not. There is no politics
in my charges. I am simply standing
for justice and fairness against po-
litical corruption. I say the judge of my
circuit packs the boards to serve his
own purposes. That's what I call po-
litical corruption. I can furnish plenty
of proofs of political corruption in
Spotsylvania."

The House was in an uproar when
Speaker Cox, noting that the recess
hour had arrived, declared the chair
vacated, thus sparing the member from
Spotsylvania the ordeal of replying to
questions that were coming thick and
fast from every part of the hall.

**JUDGE CHICHESTER
COMES TO RICHMOND AT ONCE**

During the recess hour friends of
Judge Chichester wired him information
of the charges made against him
on the floor of the House. He tele-
graphed back from Fredericksburg a
request that his friends meet him at
Murphy's Hotel in the evening for a
conference to determine what course
he should pursue.

At the afternoon session of the House,
Delegate Powell was called to book
by several members, who demanded to
know whether his charges were sincere.
He reiterated and reiterated what he
had said at the morning session, but
he failed to make any attempt to re-
flect upon the moral character of Judge
Chichester, but had reference to his
actions in politics. He repeated to sev-
eral of his inquirers that Judge Chi-
chester was politically corrupt. He
looked pale to explain that he did not
mean that the judge was an immoral
man or a dishonest man.

**HEFFLIN CALLS ON
POWELL FOR PROOF**

Mr. Powell's explanations were un-
satisfactory to the friends of the jurist
among the members of the House. As
a result, Delegate Hefflin, of King
George County, after denouncing the
member from Spotsylvania and declar-
ing his charges against the judge un-
true and without any foundation, intro-
duced the following resolution:

"Whereas, the member from Spotsy-
vania and Fredericksburg, Hon. S. P.
Powell, did this day, in response to
the following questions propounded by
the Hon. Martin Williams, the member
from Giles, viz.:

"Do I understand that the judge of
your circuit is so guilty of political
corruption as to be now packing the
electoral board of your county for the
purpose of corrupting the elections?"
"That is exactly what I am saying."
"And, whereas, as a member of this
body, if he has any definite information
upon which such charges are based, it
is his duty to give to this House such
information and to place his charge in
such form as that action may be taken,
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WERNIGHT SEA RIDE TO BALTIMORE.
York River-Chesapeake Bay, 2:30 P. M.
90 Delightful sail, 90 K. M. Inquire
about Easter Excursions.—Adv.

Heavy Fighting in Western Zone

THE northern part of the battle
line in France and Belgium has
seen heavy fighting, according to
the latest French statement. Neu-
port has been bombarded, but the
district between the River Lys and
the Basse Canal has witnessed a
violent engagement between Brit-
ish infantry, supported by French
artillery and German troops.

In the eastern war zone, particu-
larly in Northern Poland, the Ger-
mans are attacking in large force.
In other sections of Poland engage-
ments are proceeding, while in the
Carpathians the Austrians are fol-
lowing the German example and
are driving with full strength
against the Russian forces along
the front from Galicia to the Czok
Pass.

Another German submarine, the
U-12, has been rammed, this time
by a British torpedo-boat destroy-
er. The U-12 was sunk, but ten of
her crew of twenty-eight were
saved.

A report reaching Berlin from
Holland says that the British col-
lier Beethoven has been sunk at
some place not stated, either by a
torpedo or a mine.

An Australian contingent has ar-
rived in England for service in
France and Belgium.

TIDE IN IMMIGRATION TURNS

Departures for Six Months Total 18,545
More Than Arrivals.

Washington, March 10.—For the first
time in American history the tide in
immigration has been turned back to-
ward Europe. Statistics announced to-
day by Commissioner Cammett, show
the change, caused by war, came in
December, when the number of em-
igrant aliens leaving the United States
was greater by 2,246 than the total of
immigrants entering. In January,
1,737 more departed than entered.

Departures for the six months from
August, 1914, to January totaled 15,345
more than arrivals, including both em-
igrant and non-emigrant aliens.

The heaviest emigration was shown
among aliens from Southern Italy. Of
this 75,929 more departed than were
admitted during the seven months end-
ed with January. That presumably
was due to the calling of Italian re-
servists to the colors.

DACIA'S OWNER PROTESTS

Enters Formal Notice Concerning
Seizure of His Vessel.

PARIS, March 10.—E. M. Breiting, of
New York, owner of the steamer Dacia,
has entered a formal protest against
seizure of his vessel by the French
military authorities. He has engaged
Paul Gouvre, president of the French
Association of Maritime Law, to defend
his interests.

The Dacia belonged formerly to the
Hamburg-American Line. She changed
her registry and became an American
ship after the outbreak of hostilities.
Laden with cotton from Galveston and
destined to Germany she was on her
way from the United States to Bremen
when picked up at sea by a French
cruiser and taken into Brest. Her
case is to come up before the French
prize court.

OHIO MONUMENT DEDICATED

Erected on Missionary Ridge in Honor
of 97th Infantry.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., March 10.—
Dedication ceremonies of the 97th Ohio
Volunteer Infantry, at the monument
erected in its honor, took place on Mis-
sionary Ridge this afternoon.

Among the principal speakers were
G. H. Stettin, master of ceremonies,
and Howard Aston, of the Ohio ded-
ication committee, and General John T.
Wildier, of Wildier's famous brigade.

The monument erected to the memory
of the regiment is fifty feet south of
where the 97th Ohio scaled the ridge
during one of the most important bat-
tles of the Civil War at this point.
The occupation of Missionary Ridge by
the 97th was an epoch, in that it was
the first infantry regiment to cross the
Tennessee River on November 25, 1863,
the date of Missionary Ridge battle.

MAY BE WORTH \$25,000,000

Reappraisal of Franch Estate Ordered
by Surrogate.

NEW YORK, March 10.—Herman
Franch, who came here from Germany
a workman in 1868, and who died in
Paris last May, left an estate that may
be worth \$25,000,000, according to a
statement to the surrogate by State
Comptroller Travis, in asking reap-
praisal of the estate.

Mr. Franch was a chemist of the
Standard Oil Company, and president
of the Union Sulphur Company. He
owned 505 of the 2,000 shares of the
stock of the latter company. The sur-
rogate was informed that the value of
the company's sulphur holdings in Louis-
iana is constantly increasing and that
the property was assessed in 1911 at
\$10,000,000. The original appraisal of
the Franch estate was \$5,560,573. A
reappraisal was ordered.

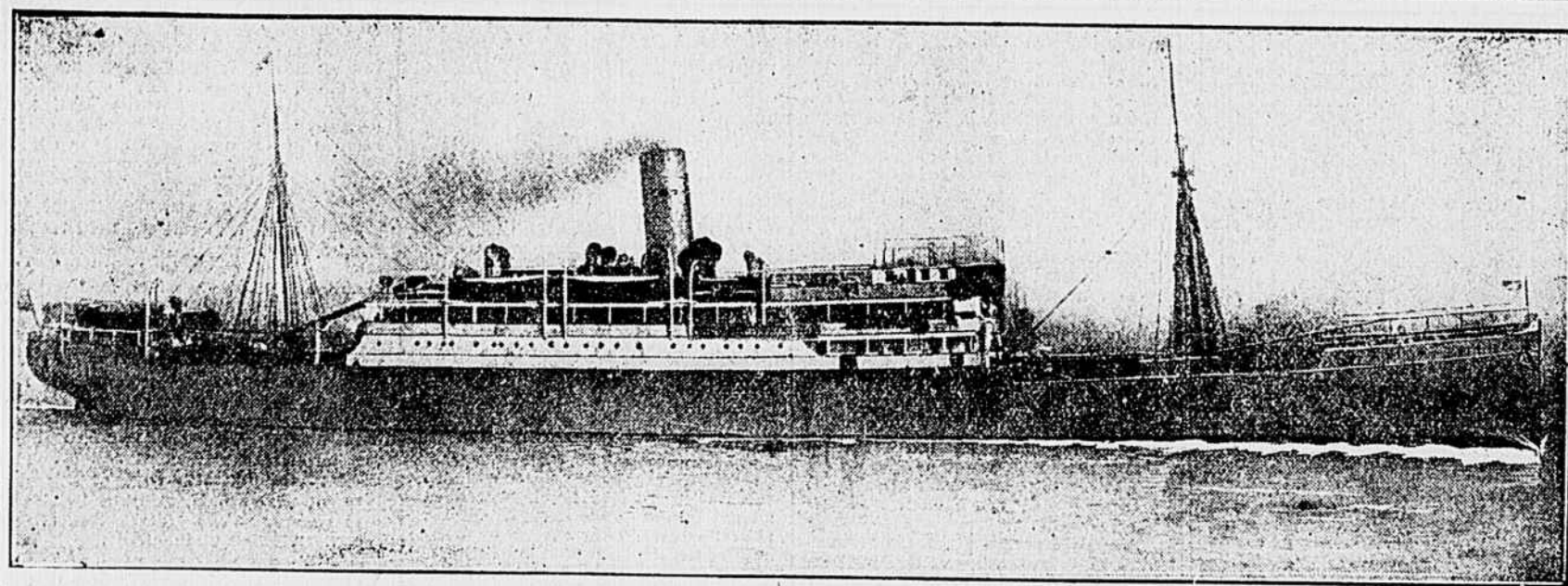
FIGHT ON HAMMOND WILL

Relative of Dead Inventor Petitions for
Another Hearing.

NEW YORK, March 10.—The ques-
tion whether James B. Hammond, in-
ventor of a typewriter, made a will
superceding that by which he be-
queathed his \$500,000 estate to the Met-
ropolitan Museum of Art, is again to
be fought out in the courts. In leav-
ing his estate to the art museum, Mr.
Hammond cut off his relatives, who
had tried unsuccessfully to have him
committed to an insane asylum in 1907.
Mr. Hammond died at St. Augustine,
Fla., in 1914.

Charles N. Hammond, a brother, first
sought evidence of a later will, and
now Elizabeth Hardy, a relative of
James B. Hammond, has petitioned for
a further hearing.

GERMAN CRUISER ELUDES PURSUIT AND SLIPS INTO VIRGINIA WATERS



The Prinz Eitel Friedrich

JUDGE CHICHESTER REPLIES TO POWELL

Demands Complete Examination of
His Official Record, and Will
Abide Result.

ISSUES SIGNED STATEMENT

Would Resign if There Were a Scin-
tilla of Truth in Charges—Flatly
Denies Any Ulterior or Political
Motive in Making Appointments.

Responding to telephone messages
asking him to come to Richmond and
face the charges of political corruption
entered against him in the House of
Delegates yesterday morning by De-
legate S. P. Powell, of Spotsylvania
County, Judge R. H. L. Chichester ar-
rived in Richmond early last night,
and, after a conference with several
friends, issued a definite and categorical
denial of all the accusations. He de-
clared that he had never packed the
electoral board, as charged by Mr. Powell,
and that he had knowingly appointed
a deputy treasurer as a member of the
electoral board in violation of the pro-
visions of the State Constitution. As
to the question of the eligibility of the
deputy treasurer to hold office in the
electoral board, his friends stated that
it was an issue that had never been
decided, and that many other judges
had followed the same practice as that
of Judge Chichester.

CHICHESTER COURTS FULLEST INVESTIGATION

Further, in his signed statement,
Judge Chichester states that he did
not know at the time of the appoint-
ment of Mr. Frazier that he was a
deputy treasurer, and that if there had
been question at the time of the ap-
pointment, he would not have given
the position to Mr. Frazier.

Judge Chichester courts investiga-
tion, and is unwilling that further ef-
fort be made to have Mr. Powell with-
draw his allegations. Much preferably
he would have the most complete ex-
amination of his official record, and
say he is willing to abide by the result.
There was some disposition among the
jurist's friends to ridicule the charges
made by Mr. Powell, but Judge Chi-
chester would have none of this, be-
lieving, he stated, that the judiciary
should be above reproach and suspicion.

Under the resolution introduced by
Delegate Hefflin, of King George County,
and adopted by the House last night,
Mr. Powell must put his charges in
writing, and accompany them with such
proof as he may be able to bring.

JUDGE CHICHESTER'S SIGNED STATEMENT

Judge Chichester's signed statement
follows:

My attention was called this after-
noon by long-distance telephone from
Richmond to charges made by De-
legate S. P. Powell, of Spotsylvania Coun-
ty, to the effect:

First, that I was packing the elec-
toral board, presumably of Spotsy-
vania County, so that I might control
the next primaries.

Second, that I have knowingly appoint-
ed a deputy treasurer as a member of
the electoral board in violation of the
Constitution of Virginia.

Immediately upon the receipt of this
message I came to Richmond to demand
proof of these charges by such means
as the Legislature might see fit to
provide. I understand that a resolu-
tion has been prepared, calling on Mr.
Powell to produce his proof. This res-
olution meets with my hearty ap-
proval.

I also understand that some effort
has been made by some members of the
Legislature and others, who, of course,
feel assured that the charges have no
foundation in fact, to get Mr. Powell
to withdraw his charges. I appreciate
the good intentions and kindness of
these people, but I must insist that if
Mr. Powell thinks he can prove his
charges or believes them to be true,
that he be required to produce his
proof.

If his charges have a scintilla of
truth in them and the Legislature did
not remove me, I ought to resign, and
I would do so. A simple withdrawal
of the charges, unaccompanied by a
statement from Mr. Powell that there
was no truth in them, would, there-
fore, be unsatisfactory to me.

In reference to the first charge I will
say that I have never made any ap-
pointment to any office with any ul-
terior motive in view. Certainly I
have never had in view my own per-
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PROGRAM OF TAX REFORM IS FULLY COMPLETED

Bills Carrying Emergency Clause
Now Ready for Governor's
Signature.

SEGREGATION IS VICTORIOUS

In Lengthy Night Session, House of
Delegates Puts on Finishing
Touches—Remainder of Week to
Be Devoted to Local Bills.

Spectacular proceedings in the House
of Delegates yesterday did not prevent
the speeding to their passage of the tax
reform bills, which were passed by the
House as never before during the special
session.

At the morning and afternoon ses-
sions all of the Senate bills of the tax
reform batch, with one or two excep-
tions, were passed. At the afternoon
and night sessions the House with the
emergency clause attached to them were
passed. In accepting these bills with
the emergency clause, the antisegrega-
tionists capitulated to the administra-
tion forces. They had sent the bills to
the Senate only after eliminating the
emergency clause, now restored.

VICTORY OF SEGREGATION IS NOW COMPLETE

The victory of the segregationists is
now complete. Nothing remains to in-
sure the establishment in Virginia of
the partial segregation system of taxa-
tion, but for the Governor to sign the
bills. The merchants' license tax mea-
sure, however, which the segregationists
are eager to have passed, remains in
doubt. It is not an essential feature
of the tax reform system. If it is per-
mitted to go over to the next General
Assembly the segregationists will not
feel that their victory has been materi-
ally affected.

The House bills of the tax system
series, which had been amended by the
Senate so as to carry the emergency
clause, were returned to the House yes-
terday afternoon, and at the night ses-
sion they were taken up and passed.
Messrs. Page, Pitts and Moore voted
against the measures to the finish. All
the rest of the antisegregationists
voted for concurrence. House bill 103,
the original segregation bill, was in
the batch passed. It had been amend-
ed by the Senate to make it immedi-
ately effective.

REPORT TO RECONSIDER FAILS OF PASSAGE

An effort to secure for House bill 114
reconsideration of the vote by which
that measure was rejected precipitated
a long discussion. This is the meas-
ure permitting circuit courts of coun-
ties or judges in vacation and corpora-
tion courts to extend the regular an-
nual session of the local boards of re-
view and to provide compensation for
members of the boards and their
clerks. The House finally voted to re-
consider, but when the bill reached
roll call only 47 yeas were recorded
against 22 nays, and it was rejected,
failing to receive the necessary 51
votes.

Amendments recommended by the
Finance Committee to the license tax
bill were then considered at some
length. Acting upon a suggestion from
Judge Martin Williams, Captain W. M.
Myers moved to take up the bill section
by section, where the amendments ap-
plied, but later withdrew the motion,
substituting for it that the printed
amendments be first considered. The
motion prevailed.

An interesting feature of the night
session was the adoption of the Hefflin
resolution, calling upon Delegate Pow-
ell to make good his charges against
Judge R. H. L. Chichester and the
speech of Mr. Powell, challenging the
legal right of Mr. Hefflin to his seat in
the House. Mr. Powell charged Mr.
Hefflin with having retained his seat
after he had moved out of the district
from which he was elected. Mr. Hefflin,
while not denying that he was a resi-
dent of Westmoreland County while
representing King George and Stafford
in the body, asserted that he was a res-
ident of the district he represented.

WOULD TAKE RICHMOND BLUES TO SAN FRANCISCO

Anticipating that all of the tax bills
will have been disposed of before to-
morrow, many of the members intro-
duced yesterday local bills, which they
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NEW EFFORT BY GERMANS TO BLOCK RUSSIAN LINE

Point Selected for Attack Is Most
Favorable Along East Prus-
sian Front.

BALKED AT OTHER POINTS

British Superdreadnought Enters the
Dardanelles and Bombs Ports
in Narrows by Direct Fire—De-
fending Batteries Grow Weaker.

LONDON, March 10 (10:30 P. M.).—
Balked at other points, the Germans
are making another attempt to break
the Russian line in Northern Poland.
They are advancing from Khorjelo, on
the East Prussian frontier, along the
Orzyc River and by the roads leading
southward to Przasnysz. This is one
of the routes they took in their great
drive from East Prussia in February,
which finally ended in their defeat at
Przasnysz.

For their new attempt they have
brought up troops from the region of
Grodno, and some of the new army
training since the outbreak of the war.
The point selected for the attack is
the most favorable along the East
Prussian front. The splendid railway
system can bring troops and their sup-
plies to the border, and good roads
lead to Przasnysz. A battle of almost
equal importance is in progress far-
ther north, in the region of Suwalki,
where the Russians have pressed the
Germans back to their own border.

The Russians appear to have coun-
tered successfully the German offensive
of the Pilla River, and in the Car-
pathians they are withstanding con-
tinued attacks along the whole front.

GERMANS CONTRADICT REPORTS OF PROGRESS

In the west fighting has been con-
fined to the Champagne region, the
Argonne and the Vosges, although
there has been an occasional skirmish
north of Arras. The Germans, in a
report issued to-day, say the French
offensive in the Champagne has been
fruitless, contradicting French reports
of almost daily progress.

Despite all this heavy fighting on the
Continent, the people of England con-
cern themselves chiefly with the op-
erations of the German submarines, one
of which was sunk to-day by the de-
stroyer Ariel, and the attempt to force
the Dardanelles.

The submarine sunk was the U-12,
one of the smaller and older subma-
rines. Of her crew of twenty-eight,
ten were saved. The admiralty gives
no details.

This makes the fifth submarine sunk
by British warships, but it is believed
in London that as many more have been
sunk by merchantmen or have met with
accidents.

The most significant news from the
Dardanelles is that the Superdread-
nought Queen Elizabeth has entered
the strait and is bombarding the forts
in the narrows by direct fire. It is
considered certain that Vice-Admiral
Carden would not allow his biggest
ship to pass the entrance unless it was
fairly safe.

FORTS IN NARROWS SUFFER SEVERELY

Further evidence that the forts in the
narrows have suffered severely is con-
tained in Athens dispatches, which say
that two battleships ventured into the
narrows during the night to protect
mine sweepers. These dispatches report
that the Kild-Bahr and Erekleul Bat-
teries have been badly damaged, and
that the fire of the Turkish forts is
growing weaker.

Some experts believe that all the
forts in the narrows should be demoli-
shed within two weeks after which it
would be smoother sailing for the
ships as most of the guns are concen-
trated in that part of the strait.

The new Greek ministry was sworn
in to-day and issued a declaration ad-
vising the country to maintain neu-
trality for the present at any rate.
There is no news of any political
change in the other Balkan states.

CHARLES A. SCHIEREN DEAD

Was One of Founders of Brooklyn
Academy of Music.

NEW YORK, March 10.—Charles A.
Schieren, former Mayor of Brooklyn,
and one of the founders of the Brook-
lyn Academy of Music, died to-day of
pneumonia. He was seventy-three
years old. He had been prominently
connected with several influential
financial institutions.

Commencing Thursday evening, March 10,
cabaret and dancing Hotel Richmond.—Adv.

WASHINGTON STIRRED BY SINKING OF VESSEL

No Attempt to Deny Seriousness of
Situation Arising Out of Wil-
liam P. Frye's Destruction.

APPEARS AS UNFRIENDLY ACT

Careful Investigation Will Be Made,
and, if First Reports Are Borne
Out, Diplomatic Representations
to Germany Will Follow.

WASHINGTON, March 10.—Arrival of
the German converted cruiser Prinz
Eitel Friedrich at Newport News to-day
with the announcement that during her
four months' raiding as a commerce
destroyer, she had sent to the bottom
one American-owned vessel, which flew
the flag of the United States, profound-
ly stirred official Washington.

In the absence of a detailed story of
the sinking of the American ship, the
William P. Frye, off the coast of South
America, judgment was withheld, but
there was no attempt to deny the se-
riousness of the incident, and it was
conceded that on its face it bore the
appearance of an unfriendly act on the
part of a German ship of war, which
must result in diplomatic negotiations
with the German government.

EVERY EFFORT TO GET TO BOTTOM OF CASE

Such information as had come to of-
ficial ears to-night from Newport News
was in substance that the Frye was
blown up because the commander of
the Eitel held her cargo of wheat to be
contraband. It was pointed out that
wheat is not contraband unless con-
signed to a belligerent or some agent of
such government. The Frye's manifest
showed her bound for Queenstown "for
orders." Officials explained that this
declaration in the manifest was not un-
usual, and added that circumstances
so far pointed to the fact that the Frye
as a vessel of a neutral nation engaged
in a legitimate voyage was not sub-
ject to seizure or destruction. Every
effort will be made by the State and
Treasury Departments to get to the
bottom of the case. The master of
the Frye and crew of the Frye will ap-
pear to-morrow in Norfolk before Col-
lector of Customs Hamilton, and will be
questioned at length about the circum-
stances of the ship's departure from
Seattle, November and of her capture and
destruction. If necessary, the State De-
partment will conduct an inquiry of its
own and will not undertake negotia-
tions with Germany until its case is
clear.

Just what demands might be made
upon Germany if the blowing up of the
Frye were considered as an unfriendly
act, were not disclosed to-night, but
it was understood the United States
probably would seek the usual hono-
rable amends under international law,
as well as reparation for the owners.
The Prinz Eitel Friedrich undoubtedly
will be interned at Newport News
unless her commander is willing to take
a chance with the allies' ships in the
North Atlantic.

CUSTOMARY NOTICE SERVED ON VESSEL

Collector Hamilton has served the
customary notice that the Eitel must
sail within twenty-four hours or in-
tern, or give reasons for a longer stay,
which will be satisfactory to Washing-
ton. If her commander desires to make
repairs, additional time can be allowed,
but in view of a preliminary report by
experts who examined the cruiser to-
day, that at least several months would
be required to fit her for active sea
service, it was generally believed that
the only course open for her is to in-
tern, and therefore no unusual precau-
tions were taken to-night to prevent
her leaving American waters.

All males of belligerent nations
among the 300 survivors aboard the
cruiser not subject to military service
probably will be put in charge of con-
sular representatives of their respec-
tive countries. Most of the survivors
were bound for South American coun-
tries when captured, and it was be-
lieved the consuls will have them trans-
ferred to New York and sent on to the
original destinations. If the Eitel in-
terns all the survivors will be released
automatically.

Delicate problems of international
law requiring immediate decision aris-
ing out of the cruiser's arrival were the
subject of several conferences. Sec-
retary Daniels received reports from
Vice-Admiral Beatty at the Norfolk
Navy Yard. Assistant Secretary Peters,
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SCOURGE OF SEAS SAFELY IN PORT AT NEWPORT NEWS

Prinz Eitel Friedrich Like-
ly to Be Interned for
Length of War.

IN NEED OF REPAIRS,
COAL AND PROVISIONS

United States Vessel Standing By
to See That Neutrality Is
Not Violated.

HAS LONG LIST OF VICTIMS

Commerce of Allies Has Been Rav-
aged for Months by Elusive
German Rover.

German Sea Raider Reaches Safe Haven

One of the most interesting inci-
dents of the war from an interna-
tional standpoint is the arrival at
Newport News of the German aux-
iliary cruiser Prinz Eitel Friedrich.
This raider of the seas has been de-
stroying commerce in the Pacific and
Atlantic oceans, and on January 28
sent to the bottom an American sail-
ing vessel, the William P. Frye,
admitted from Seattle for Queenstown,
with a cargo of wheat.

The Eitel Friedrich has on board
many persons who were taken off
the vessels that she sank, and she
came into port for repairs. The
sinking of the American ship is to
be investigated, the German com-
mander holding that her cargo of
wheat was contraband of war.

NEWPORT NEWS, March 10.—The
German auxiliary cruiser Prinz Eitel
Friedrich after a marine-wrecking
scourge of Pacific and Atlantic oceans,
which culminated in the sinking of an
American sailing ship in the South At-
lantic Ocean January 28, last, limped
into this port to-day and anchored for
supplies and repairs. She brought with
her rescued crews and passengers of
American, British, French and Rus-
sian ships, and lies at anchor to-night
in Hampton Roads, proud of her
troubles of war that crunch the bottom
of the sea, but in a state of mechanical
exhaustion from the strain of a 5,200-
mile journey.

The German cruiser began her scout-
ing for the ships of enemies of the
fatherland at Tientsin, China, last
November under mastership of Com-
mander Thierichens, and put into this
historic American port to-day with the
sinking of eight merchant ships,
three British, three French, one
Russian and one American. The sink-
ing of the American ship, the William
P. Frye, a sailing vessel, bound from
Seattle to Queenstown, with 55,000 tons
of wheat, most concerned American port
officials here and the Washington gov-
ernment.

LONG LIST OF VICTIMS OF KAISER'S CRUISER

The list of ships sunk by the Ger-
man ship is as follows:

British sailing ship Invercoe, W. J.
King, master; crew, 23. Owners, Inver-
line, of Aberdeen, Scotland. Sunk Feb-
ruary 12.

British steamship Mary Ada Short,
A. E. Dobbing, master; crew, 28. Owner,
James Westell, of Sumnerland, Eng-
land. Sunk February 18.

French steamship Pierle Loti, Tran-
chant, master; crew, 24. Society Nou-
velle Darnement, of Nantes, France,
owners. Sunk January 27.

American sailing ship William P.
Frye, H. H. Kiehne, master; crew, 31.
Owner, Arthur Sewall & Co., of Bath,
Maine. Sunk January 28. Cargo of
wheat from Seattle, Washington to
Queenstown, England, for orders de-
clared to be contraband by German
cruiser.

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